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## Galva soldiers open new water treatment plant for Iraqi villagers

CAMP VICTORY NORTH, Baghdad, Iraq -- An Iraqi village now has its first clean water in a decade, thanks to the Galva National Guard unit.

As promised, Maj. Michael Kessel, the commanding officer of "Foxtrot" Battery, 202nd Air Defense Artillery, serving in Iraq, has sent more news and photos about the good things our local soldiers are doing.

Two weeks ago, Maj. Kessel expressed frustration that news of the positive things our troops are doing in Iraq is being overshadowed by coverage of car bombings and kidnappings.

His first case-in-point was about a wheelchair Battery F's 3rd Platoon had obtained for an Iraqi boy who couldn't walk.

The latest news from Iraq:

Greetings from Baghdad,

I mentioned a couple of weeks ago we would be opening up a water treatment plant that would provide a village with clean water for the first time in 10 years.

On June 10, we had the grand opening of the Dahash Water Treatment Plant. Dahash is the name of the Sheikh that will be in charge of the plant.

It will produce about 100,000 gallons of water per day. The plant will not run continuously, but on a set schedule so that local villagers can come up and get water for their homes.

Later this summer, we hope to have water lines actually running to the individual residences.

As you can see from the picture, there are always a lot of children around and you seldom see the women up close. If you see them they are either working in the fields or inside the homes at a distance.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Kessel

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